

3.2 Expansion of Network

Describe the design for the further expansion of the network, including identification of the unserved and underserved areas in the State and the order of priority for serving these areas as additional funding becomes available (beyond the required cost-of-living increase).

A. Unserved Areas of the State

There are 35 counties in Indiana that are unserved by a Center for Independent Living. These counties are located in the North Central, Northwest, Southeast, and Southern Ohio River regions of the state and include Benton, Carroll, Cass, Clark, Clinton, Dearborn, Elkhart, Floyd, Fountain, Fulton, Harrison, Jasper, Jefferson, Jennings, LaPorte, Marshall, Miami, Montgomery, Newton, Ohio, Perry, Posey, Pulaski, Ripley, Scott, Spencer, Starke, St. Joseph, Switzerland, Tippecanoe, Vanderburgh, Wabash, Warren, Warrick, and White counties.

B. Underserved Areas of the State

The Funding Formula Allocation Model for Indiana's Centers for Independent Living as developed by the Indiana Business Research Center, Indiana University Kelly School of Business uses three indices to identify how much money it takes to fully fund CIL services in each county of the state. The indices are designed to capture a wide range of data that affects the level of need that people with disabilities have for CIL services in each county. Types of data captured include the number of people with disabilities, the economic distress level of the county, the number of people who have disabilities that impact their ability to work, total population of the county, total employment, land area in square miles, total working age population, age and gender of the population of people with disabilities, job density of the county, and unemployment rates.

The Funding Formula is an allocation model used to determine an equitable strategy for funding needed by all 92 Indiana counties for current and future centers for independent living (CILs). The Census definition was used to determine the number or portion of disabled persons within each county. Then the strategy takes into account the unique demographic and economic profile in addition the population information. The entire Funding Formula can be found at http://www.cce.csus.edu/conferences/cdr/cdr_csilc_2012/docs/patriciayeager/12_ICOIL_FORMULA_FUNDING_FULL_REPORT_rev_2009_07_21.pdf or www.icoil.org under the Operations tab.

Counties and CIL geographic areas that are fully funded, as indicated by the formula, are considered to be fully served. Conversely, counties and CIL geographic areas that are not fully funded are considered underserved. This approach also provides an indication as to the degree that specific counties or CIL geographic areas are underserved by comparing the existing amount of CIL funding in an area to the full amount of funding needed. This capability provides Indiana stakeholders with a method to prioritize underserved areas of the state for additional IL funding.

According to the Indiana formula, all geographic areas served by existing Part C and non-Part C Centers for Independent Living are underserved to varying degrees. These underserved counties (not in priority order) include: Adams, Allen, Blackford, Boone, Clay, Crawford, Daviess,

Decatur, DeKalb, Delaware, Fayette, Franklin, Gibson, Grant, Greene, Hamilton, Hancock, Hendricks, Henry, Howard, Huntington, Jackson, Jay, Johnson, Knox, Kosciusko, LaGrange, Lake, Lawrence, Madison, Marion, Martin, Monroe, Morgan, Noble, Orange, Owen, Parke, Pike, Porter, Putnam Randolph, Rush, Shelby, Steuben, Sullivan, Union, Vermillion, Vigo, Wayne, Washington, Wells and Whitley counties.

C. Design for the Further Expansion of the CIL Network

The Indiana Council on Independent Living developed its vision for a future statewide network of CILS designed to provide statewide CIL coverage. The vision is incorporated into a map of the state that identifies the geographic areas and locations of current and future CILS. Please see Figure 2 below.

Sources of information used to develop the vision for a statewide network of CILS included:

1. Number of people with disabilities in each county
2. Commuting patterns within the state
3. Results from the Formula Funding Allocation Model for Indiana's Centers for Independent Living that incorporates a wide variety of county specific factors
4. Collective knowledge of the state among consumers, DSU representatives, ICOIL members, CIL directors who worked together to develop the statewide coverage vision (such as regional population characteristics, availability of service providers, roadway systems, etc.)

The vision for statewide CIL coverage calls for the establishment of five (5) new Centers for Independent Living serving unserved areas of the North Central, Northwest, Southeast, and Southern Ohio River regions of the state.

There must be at least \$150,000 in new regular fiscal year Part C funds used to support Centers for Independent Living in order to establish a new Center for Independent Living in Indiana

D. Order of Priority

The Indiana Council on Independent Living established and adopted a set of priorities for the distribution of Title VII, Part C for Center for Independent Living. The priorities are as follows:

1. Maintain current funding levels for each existing CIL.
2. Provide uniform cost of living increases from federal and other state funds to all Indiana CILs.
3. Establish new CILs in unserved areas of the state

The priority would be to establish a new center that serves one of the unserved areas listed below. (Listed in priority order). ICOIL has used data gathered from the ICOIL demographic study report and the basic principles of the funding formula such as population and number of people with disabilities to base the priority of order.

Southeast - Dearborn, Jefferson, Jennings, Ohio, Ripley, Scott, and Switzerland Counties

North Central - Elkhart, La Porte, Marshall, St. Joseph, and Starke Counties

Rural North - Cass, Fulton, Jasper, Miami, Newton, Pulaski, Wabash, and White Counties

West Central - Benton, Carroll, Clinton, Fountain, Montgomery, Tippecanoe, and Warren Counties

Ohio River South - Clark, Floyd, Harrison, Perry, Posey, Spencer, Vanderburgh, and Warrick Counties

4. Establish new CIL in underserved areas of the state that are currently served by non-Part C funded CILs.

The priority order for providing Part C to underserved geographic areas served by existing non-Part C Centers in Indiana, according to the Funding Formula Allocation Model for Indiana's Centers for Independent Living (after completing Priority 3, above), is as follows:

Blackford, Delaware, Grant, Howard, Madison, and Randolph counties.

Decatur, Fayette, Franklin, Henry, Rush, Union, and Wayne counties.

Clay, Owen, Parke, Putnam, Vigo, and Vermillion counties.

5. If there are extra Part C funds available over COLA but less than \$150,000, those funds will be distributed to the Part C CILs based on each individual Part C CIL's percentage share of the full funding total dollar amount for all the Part C CILs, according to the Funding Formula Allocation Model.

The full funding total dollar amount for all Part C CILs is \$7,833,610.

Based on the counties they are required to serve, the individual Part C CIL's full funding dollar amounts are: accessAbility \$2,270,580, League \$2,149,370, ATTIC \$1,442,790, SICIL \$1,304,620, Everybody Counts and Everybody Counts Northwest \$666,250. (Note: While Everybody Counts and Everybody Counts NW are considered separate CILs in the statewide network, they are combined here because both CILs serve the same two counties, Lake and Porter.)

Each Part C CIL's percentage share of the Part C funds over COLA is calculated by dividing the CIL's individual full funding amount listed above (e.g., accessAbility \$2,270,580) by the total full funding amount for all Part C CILs (\$7,833,610), as follows:

accessAbility: 28.9851039%

The League: 27.4377968%

ATTIC: 18.4179452%

SICIL: 16.6541351%

Everybody Counts and Everybody Counts Northwest: 8.5050187% (Since both serve the same two counties, each CIL will receive 4.25250935% of available Part C funds over COLA.)

As indicated in Goal 4, Indiana intends to update and or revise the Formula Funding Allocation Model for Indiana's Centers for Independent Living, which may affect the percentage distribution of Part C funds over COLA in the future. The DSU and SILC will submit a SPIL amendment and conduct public hearings as necessary.

6. In the event that a Part C CIL is relinquished or terminated Part C funds would be restored in that area and a new Part C CIL would be established as the first priority.